



21st October, 2021

Statement on Church Gatherings, Events and Vaccinations.

To Activate Church,

As we continue to navigate these unusual times, we encourage each of us to keep God central in every part, action and decision of our lives.

We continue to pray for our frontline workers, public health officials, and medical professionals who serve our communities with dedication and courage. We also pray for our leaders charged with the responsibility of navigating complex, challenging times and issues.

Activate Church believes that faith in Jesus Christ should impact every part of our lives. How we live, how we pray, how we conduct ourselves and contribute to our families and wider communities. We strongly believe it is our responsibility to share the message that *Jesus is Lord, all are loved and valued, and His Church welcomes every person.*

We are currently facing complex issues that need to be navigated well at both community and personal levels. Activate Church makes no judgement of anyone's personal stance on the use of vaccines, nor do we believe we are in a position to offer medical advice. We encourage every person to make their own decision based on their personal conscience, the counsel of qualified medical professionals, and the common good of all.

Activate Church continues to follow all protocols and requests asked of us by the government in order to honour our leaders and most importantly, to ensure a safe environment for everyone who attends Activate gatherings and events. We are incredibly grateful for the technology that allows us to connect via online streaming services but hold to our belief that Church is so much more. We are the body of Christ.

In regards to restriction level changes and government policy or strategies, we continue to monitor the situation and will continue to communicate. Be assured we want to do all we can to ensure we can meet freely and safely in the future. For this reason, most decisions, actions or changes we make at present should be regarded as short term as we glean more insight and wisdom moving forward.

You've heard us say many times that we are about loving God, and loving people. Our desire is to walk this out as we all continue to move forward.

We continue to pray every blessing of God upon you in the Name of Jesus.

Blessings,

The Leadership of Activate Church